(*b*) 16 (*vide* Appendix).

(*c*) Tanks are only restored, improved or repaired. There are no instances of tanks repaired by silt clearing.

(*d*) *Vide* statement attached (*vide* Appendix).

(*e*) *Vide* statement attached (*vide* Appendix).

MR. M. LINGE GOWDA.—Are Government aware that many major and minor tanks still continue in disrepair and will the Government pay attention to them as far as possible?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—Yes.

Special Repairs for the Halagur-Channapatna Road.

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA (Malvalli Taluk).—

Q.—9. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) In what year was the construction of the Halagur-Channapatna Road started?

(*b*) (i) How often has it been represented that the mileage allotment for annual maintenance should be increased from Rs. 40 to Rs. 60 and that special repairs should be undertaken in places where there are pits in Halagur Hobli?

(ii) What are the amounts of estimates prepared?

(iii) What action was taken in this respect may be stated in detail?

(*c*) (i) On how many tank bunds between Halagur and Channapatna this road runs? what are the names of those tanks; (ii) are Government aware that as railings are not provided on the tank bunds the traffic thereon is risky?

(*d*) Has it come to the notice of Government that carts fell from one of these tank bunds and lives were lost; on how many occasions, reports have been received as to the number of lives endangered; what arrangements were made to safeguard against such risk may be stated in detail?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—9. (*a*) Information not readily available.

(*b*) (i) Information not available The allotment for the road varies even now from Rs. 40 to Rs. 100 per mile.

(ii) and (iii) The District Board were addressed to sanction Rs. 6,000 for special repairs which they have not sanctioned.

(*c*) (i) Two. Honganur and Kodamballi.

(ii) No.

(*d*) No information available.

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA.—Is it not a fact that the road has not been properly maintained for the past 40 or 50 years?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—I shall enquire into the matter.

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA.—Is it not a fact that compensation has not been paid to the people who had lost their lands?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—I shall look into the matter.

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA.—The tanks are not restored, but the raiyats continue to pay the usual assessment. Is this not unjust?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—We shall restore them as soon as possible.

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA.—With reference to answer to (*d*) that information about the accidents is not available, is it not a fact that recently 4 persons fell into the tank and were injured and one woman also lost her limbs?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—Government have not received any report. But they will enquire about it.

Rotational Arrangement of Cultivation in the Irwin Canal Area.

MESSRS. H. HONNAIYA and M. L. LINGANNA (Mandya Taluk) and K. KEMPE GOWDA (Mandya Municipality).—

Q.—15. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Are the lands under Irwin Canal cultivated according to the block system now?